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Re: Application of Dominique BAYART, Anne LEGRAND  
OPTICAL AMPLIFIER  
Assignee: ALCATEL  
Our Ref. Q76599

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 10 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 3 sheet(s) of drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified).

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>4</u> - 20	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
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Base Fee							\$750.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>							<b>\$750.00</b>
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<b>TOTAL FEE</b>							<b>\$790.00</b>

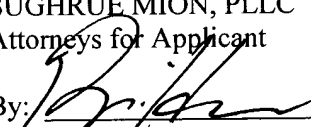
Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$750.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Europe	02360242.8	August 14, 2002

The priority document is enclosed herewith.

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